

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1032

By Berke

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Kim Hudson White upon her selection as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2008, the American Lung Association of Tennessee, in conjunction with Belk, will present the 23rd Annual Women of Distinction Awards, designating Kim White as a 2008 Woman of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, a long-standing Chattanooga tradition, the Women of Distinction Awards are granted to women who have distinguished themselves through their professional career accomplishments and their dedication to the community through their numerous and valuable civic and philanthropic endeavors; the honorees are selected from community nominations; and

WHEREAS, a highly successful businesswoman, Mrs. White has worked assiduously and with uncommon devotion and zeal to improve the quality of life of the fine citizens of Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, Kim White is President and Chief Executive Officer of Luken Holdings and was named to Tennessee's Top 100 Most Influential in Real Estate in 2005, in addition to rendering astute service as a board member of the Women's Leadership Institute and her recent appointment to Erlanger's Board of Trustees, having the singular distinction of being the only non-medical female representative; and

WHEREAS, a distinguished University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) alumna, Mrs. White is the President-Elect of the UTC Alumni Board and serves with acumen and alacrity on the Executive Board for the UTC National Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, a pillar of the greater Chattanooga community, Kim White tirelessly serves on the boards of RiverCity Co., the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Metropolitan YMCA, and the Association for Visual Arts; she is a past board member of Junior Achievement, Big Brothers-Big Sisters, and United Way of Greater Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, despite her busy schedule, Mrs. White still finds time to donate her incredible talents to such worthy causes as the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera and the Siskin Children's Institute; and

WHEREAS, her many professional and civic accomplishments aside, Kim White is most grateful to share both love and companionship with her husband, Joe Dan White; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. White epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; she takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Kim White, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Kim Hudson White on being named as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee, recognizing her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit, and extending to her our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.